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Proposed Background Soils Characterization

Robert Benedetti, Associate General Manager **Environmental Restoration Management** EG&G Rocky Flats, Inc.

The Department of Energy has received your proposal for surficial soils characterization (93-RF-1909). In general, DOE agrees with the intent of the proposal. The scope, however, should remain tentative until the work plan is completed to allow development of an approvable plan in coordination with DOE and the regulatory agencies. The proposal to fund this effort from the site-wide characterization work package 12195 with funds that are not projected by EG&G to be needed for other efforts is acceptable to DOE if this projection is correct.

The schedule proposed for the program must be refined to include adequate review time for DOE and the agencies. The schedule is otherwise reasonable for a project of this scope. EG&G should, however, begin to evaluate the impacts of the schedule on RFI/RI reports due before the final surficial soils characterization report is available. A strategy should be developed and presented to DOE on resolving the deficiency in background data for draft RFI/RI reports for OUs 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, which are due in 1993.

If you have any questions please contact me at extension 4888 or Jen Pepe of my staff at extension 2184.

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